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## WISCONSIN STATE LEGISLATURE ... PUBLIC HEARING - COMMITTEE RECORDS

1999-00

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Committee on ... Judiciary and Personal Privacy (AC-JPP)

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## **Assembly**

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## **Assembly Bill 769**

Relating to: law enforcement agency access to photographs of applicants for operators' licenses and identification cards.

By Representatives Wieckert, La Fave, Spillner, Stone, Ladwig, Suder, Duff, Musser, Albers, Olsen, Pettis, Gunderson, Miller, Hundertmark and Ott; cosponsored by Senators Fitzgerald, Huelsman and Roessler.

February 17, 2000

Referred to committee on Judiciary and Personal Privacy.

March 1, 2000

#### PUBLIC HEARING HELD

Present:

(8) Representatives Huebsch, Gundrum, Suder,

Grothman, Sherman, Colon, Hebl and

Staskunas.

Excused:

(1) Representative Walker.

## Appearances for

- Representative Steve Wieckert, 57th Assembly District
- Michael McFadden, Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association
- Jeff Wiswell, WI Sheriff and Deputies Association

### Appearances against

None.

### Appearances for Information Only

None.

#### Registrations for

- Casey Perry, WI Troopers Association
- Forbes McIntosh, WI County Police Association
- Jerry Rieden, Milwaukee Deputy Sheriff's Association
- Doug Johnson, WI Merchants Federation

### Registrations against

• None.

March 1, 2000

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** 

Present: (9) Representatives Huebsch, Gundrum, Walker, Suder, Grothman, Sherman, Colon, Hebl and Staskunas.

Excused: (0) None.

Moved by Representative Walker, seconded by Representative Staskunas, that **Assembly Bill 769** be recommended for passage.

Ayes: (9) Representatives Huebsch, Gundrum, Walker, Suder, Grothman, Sherman, Colon, Hebl and Staskunas.

Noes: (0) None. Excused:(0) None.

PASSAGE RECOMMENDED, Ayes 9, Noes 0, Excused 0

Robert Delaporte Committee Clerk

## Vote Record

**Assembly Committee on Judiciary and Personal Privacy** 

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Motion Carried

Motion Failed



## WISCONSIN STATE LEGISLATURE



## WISCONSIN POLICE EXECUTIVE GROUP

May 18, 1999

Representative Steve Wieckert Room 9 North State Capitol, P. O. Box 8953 Madison, WI 53708



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Sincerely,

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January 18, 2000

Honorable Steve Wieckert State Representative 9 North State Capitol Madison, Wisconsin, 53708-8953

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1999-2000 LRB 1743 will continue to provide one more vitally needed law enforcement tool in our state and federal crime-fighting arsenal.

Please keep us informed and feel free to call upon us at any time to be of assistance with you on this important matter. Thank you.

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Best Regards,

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JLW: TAW:



P.O. Box 769 • East Tioy, WI 53120 1-800-232-1392

TO: Representative Steve Wieckert

FR: Casey Perry, Executive Director

Wisconsin Troopers' Association

DA: October 14, 1999

RE: Support of Legislation Relating to Federal Law Enforcement Access to

**DOT Photographs** 

The Wisconsin Troopers' Association is in receipt of your proposed draft legislation which would allow the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to release a copy of a photograph to federal law enforcement agencies in the same manner that current law allows this access to a Wisconsin law enforcement agency (local or state). It is our understanding that the legislation would require the federal agency to make a written request specifying the name of the person whose photograph is requested and stating that the photograph is requested for the purpose of investigating unlawful activity, looking for a missing person or identifying an accident victim or a deceased person.

On behalf of the members of the Wisconsin Troopers' Association, I would like to offer our wholehearted support for this legislation. The law regulating access to DOT photos appropriately addresses the importance of this access for certain law enforcement situations, while maintaining adequate privacy provisions for Wisconsin's citizens.

Quite simply, by adding federal agency access, the legislation will assist all agencies in their ability to work together to protect and serve Wisconsin citizens. Thank you for your work on this important issue.

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Wieckert, Steve

From:

Michael McFadden [Michael.McFadden@usdoj.gov]

Sent:

Monday, February 28, 2000 2:06 PM

To:

Rep.Wieckert@legis.state.wi.us Dallas.Neville@intmail.usdoi.gov

Cc: Subject:

LRB 1743 (Assembly Bill 769)

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We really had a hard time understanding how the bill did not include; US Marshals Service, FBI, Drug Enforcement Administration, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, and other federal investigative agencies. The aforementioned bill is a tremendous boost to our efforts. Thank you for your support/sponsorship.

I have been in contact with the chair of the Judiciary Committee's office and have learned that the bill is scheduled for public hearing on Wednesday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2000 in room 328NW of the State Capitol. I am planning on attending this meeting and speaking in favor of the bill if that is appropriate.

Again, on behalf of all the criminal investigators of the U.S. Marshals Service, THANK YOU!

Mike McFadden Interim President Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association, Wisconsin Chapter 608-264-5288



## **Wisconsin Department of Transportation**

Tommy G. Thompson Governor

Charles H. Thompson Secretary OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY P. O. Box 7910 Madison, WI 53707-7910

October 19, 1999

The Honorable Steven Wieckert Wisconsin State Representative 9 North, State Capitol Madison, WI 53708-8953

Dear Representative Wieckert:

As stated in our analysis of LRB 1743/1, relating to allowing federal law enforcement agencies to access our digitized photos, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation supports this draft providing it is in compliance with federal law.

The federal Department of Transportation appropriation for fiscal year 2000 recently signed into law amends the Driver Privacy & Protection Act and allows for the release of personal information (photos) "for use by any governmental agency, including any court or law enforcement agency, in carrying out its functions, or any private person or entity acting on behalf of a Federal, State or local agency in carrying out its functions."

Sincerely.

Robert Cook

**Executive Assistant** 

RJC:jb

## NOTE: PLEASE RETURN THIS BILL DRAFT AND THIS TRANSMITTAL SHEET WITH YOUR FISCAL ESTIMATE FORMS

IF THERE IS A FISCAL EFFECT TO THE BILL, PLEASE SUBMIT THE FISCAL ESTIMATE WORKSHEET.

TO: Carol Buckmaster

Department of Transportation

FROM:

**Deborsh Uecker** 

Division of Executive Budget and Finance

101 East Wilson Street

Administration Building, 10th Floor

Madison, Wi 53702

SUBJECT:

Fiscal Estimate -

LRB Number 1743/1

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Rep. 03-12-99

Please provide the necessary information on fiscal estimate forms and return two (2) copies to

Deborah Uecker, no later than:

10-Mar-99

If you cannot comply with the above deadline for any reason, please call Deborah at 267-0371.

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ALSO SENT TO: Department of Transportation

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03-Mar-99

DATE DOA RECEIVED FROM AGENCY:

TO BE COMPLETED BY AGENCY:

Name and phone number of person who prepared the fiscal estimate.

PLEASE SEND ORIGINAL COPIES OF THE FORMS THAT CAN BE REPRODUCED.

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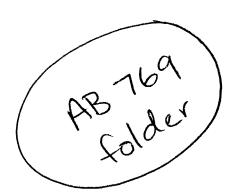
City of Oshkosh Police Department

920/236-5700



October 29, 1999

Representative Robert G. Goetsch Room 314 North State Capitol P.O. Box 8952 Madison, WI 53708



Dear Representative Goetsch:

Attached is a letter I wrote in May 1999 to Representative Steve Wieckert in support of legislation he was sponsoring to allow Federal Law Enforcement Officers access to Department of Transportation drivers license photographs. This letter was written on behalf of the Wisconsin Police Executive Group, which is made up of departments with populations greater than 20,000.

On October 28, 1999, the Fox Valley Law Enforcement Executives Association met for their quarterly meeting and I presented this issue to that group. The Fox Valley Law Enforcement Executives Group is also in unanimous support of this legislation. During our meeting and previous discussions, I have yet to meet a police executive who does not have a good working relationship with Federal Law Enforcement. As stated in my letter to Representative Wieckert, the cooperative effort between Federal, State, and Local Enforcement in Wisconsin is a model for others to emulate and I see no reason for that not to continue.

I would encourage your support of this legislation as a means of streamlining law enforcement efforts and encouraging continued cooperation.

Sincerely,

David W. Erickson

Chief of Police

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c: Representative Steve Wieckert

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Sent: Monday, February 28, 2000 2:06 PM

To: Rep.Wieckert@legis.state.wi.us

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**Executive Assistant** 

RJC:jb



## WISCONSIN STATE LEGISLATURE



Date?

Good afternoon. My name is Michael McFadden and I am a Deputy United States Marshal stationed here in the Western District of Wisconsin. I have been in federal law enforcement since July 1972. Additionally, I am the interim President of the Wisconsin chapter of the Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association commonly referred to as FLEOA.

I want to thank all of you for the opportunity to speak on behalf Assembly Bill 769.

FLEOA represents over 17000 federal agents nation wide. All agencies of the federal law enforcement community are represented by this organization; U.S. Marshals Service, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Drug Enforcement Administration, Secret Service, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, and many other federal criminal investigators from all other agencies with investigative responsibilities.

On behalf of the men and women of the Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association, I want to encourage passage of Assembly Bill 769. Currently, Wisconsin law does not allow any federal agent access to drivers license photos. When we need to obtain a photo of a target, suspect, or fugitive, we are forced to contact a local law enforcement officer requesting their assistance. This is a time consuming task for both our investigators and for the local officer tasked with this duty. For the local officer, this translates into time not doing patrol or detective duties for the respective communities that they serve.

Under the current law federal criminal investigators are handicaped in our efforts, in particular the investigation, tracking, and arrest of federal fugitives.

Again, I thank you for the creation of this bill, and strongly encourage it's passage as soon as possible.